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Rancho Chico,
June 21, 1880.

My Dear Muir
your kind letter
to Mrs Bidwell, I opened
by mistake; but I have
forwarded same to her at
Washington, D.C. when
she arrived three weeks ago.
and a little more - no, a little
less. She will be delighted,
and, I hope, be able to explain
about the Polygonum &c
But it is my turn now,

having been misled by your
lecture in which, with a meek-
ness and innocence in descri-
ble, you acknowledged your-
self out of the beaten track,
but proclaimed your intention
to continue therein - or rather
thereout - by saying you
were the happiest man living
&c !! So you were caught,
ha? Of course you were!
and surrendered too - at
discretion, of course. Well,
I congratulate you, and
welcome your return to
Civilization, and wish you
every felicity - and remain
Very Truly Yours
John Bidwell

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